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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT OF DECEMBER 17, 2002

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of December 17, 2002, please consider the following remarks. A petition for a four-month extension of time and the requisite fee for it are included.

REMARKS

I. RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In the Office Action, the Examiner requested restriction to one of the following groups of claims under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

- I. Claims 1-12, Drawn To A Hydrogel, Classified In Class 424, Subclass 486.
- II. Claims 12-15, Drawn To Endoprosthesis, Classified In Class 623, Subclass 11.11.
- III. Claims 16-22, Drawn To A Method For Making Hydrogel, Classified in class 514, Subclass 55.